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KRAFTWERK FANZINE

This document contains the scanned pages of one of the Kraftwerk Aktivität Fanzines or complimentary publications that were produced from 1992 through to 1998.

During this time 10 Fanzines were published along with various update issues and other complimentary publications.

The scans have only been altered for clarity, with the exception of addresses and phone numbers that have now been blocked out. So please note that all errors and miss-information are as they appeared at the time of publication. Later issues tried to address the earlier problems as the production team put more stringent editorial practices in place.

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S U B S C R I P T I O N

Following some months of re-assessing the subject, I present some new plans for Aktivität fanzine that should help ensure a more regular service. As some background, I should explain that issue 7 of the fanzine was produced in the knowledge (to myself and only one or two others) that it may have been the last issue of the fanzine, due to personal commitments that possibly lay ahead. Producing the fanzine is a time-consuming business but as I already have a full-time job you'll understand that I can't always devote as much time as I would like to it. However, I am glad to say that the fanzine will continue to appear, by introducing some changes to put the fanzine on a much sounder footing that is easier to run...

Firstly, the actual format of the fanzine will change slightly as from the next issue. Instead of a 50 page tome appearing annually, which has been the case with the last two issues, I propose to slim down the size of an issue to 42 pages (40 pages plus front and back cover) and have the fanzine appear more regularly. As ever, Kraftwerk aren't the most prolific of bands, so issues will still tend to appear as and when there is sufficient news to hand, though I hope that in future issues of the fanzine will appear every 6-8 months or so, rather than the annual event of recent issues.

The price will remain at £2.50 and the issues will retain a colour cover. While the price remains the same, the pages have decreased; the costs of producing the fanzine have not decreased, sadly. From what I have gleaned from feedback, I hope that the majority will still see the fanzine as a good deal.

For the most part, Aktivität has in the past worked on an issue-by-issue basis. There has undeniably been a demand for a more structured subscription set-up and now seems as good a time as any to make steps toward this. In addition, up till now I have met the costs of the occasional 'Update' sheets myself, but I feel that there is a demand for these too, especially for notifying readers when any important new info arises, so this opportunity also arises. However, the subscription set-up is by no means compulsory - if you are happy enough to obtain your copy as and when it appears this will still be available.

To these ends, I propose the following set-up detailed on the next pages....

1 E I N S U N O I C H I O N E

1. AKTIVITÄT SUBSCRIPTION

This will entitle readers to the next three issues of the fanzine, sent immediately the new issue becomes available.

UK£9 00

3 issues, including postage & packing, sent 1st class
(3 x £2 50 + 3 x £0 50 postage & packing.)

Europe£10 50

(3 issues, including postage & packing, sent Airmail
(3 x £2 50 + 3 x £1 00 postage & packing.)

US, Canada, South Africa£12 75

3 issues, including postage & packing, sent Airmail**
(3 x £2 50 + 3 x £1 75 postage & packing.)

Australia, New Zealand, Japan£13 50

3 issues, including postage & packing, sent Airmail**
(3 x £2 50 + 3 x £2 00 postage & packing.)

** Surface mail rates available on request

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2. 'UPDATE' SHEETS SUBSCRIPTION

The idea is to have 4 'Update' sheets per volume sent to mailouts via the 'Update' sheets; these are single, sometimes double-sided, sheets that you can refer to at that point. The first Update sheet carried news on Kraftwerk's European concert tour that we had heard of. November 1995's one carried news on the scheduled BBC Radio 1 FM documentary for November 1995. On most issues, the Update sheets will be on re-releases/new bootleg CD's news.

Remember though, Aktivität is an unofficial fanzine, without involvement from Kraftwerk, so don't mistake it for necessarily being advance warning; often times it's just reviews of what has already been released. The subscriptions will last for 8 mail-outs of the fanzine.

UK£9 00

Europe (EC)£10 50

Europe (non-EC)£12 75

America, Canada, South Africa£13 50

Australia, New Zealand, Japan£14 50

Please note; if you have access to the Internet, you will be able to access the info contained in the Update sheets via services such as the Unofficial Kraftwerk Website.

IMPORTANT You should bear in mind that Aktivität is an unofficial fanzine - we have no contact with Kraftwerk. It is easy to come by from the music press or the bands record companies there exists a need for information for fans of associated acts/ex-members so that the bands fans may be better informed. The fanzine is written by fans, for fans. Do not mistake the fanzine as some form of fan club.

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3. NOTIFICATION OF NEW ISSUES SUBSCRIPTION.

Subscribing to the fanzine is not compulsory - if you prefer to buy your copy of the fanzine as and when it appears, as at present, then that is still possible. However, to receive notification of the next three issues availability you should take advantage of this service. When a new issue appears, you will be sent details about it before it is made available.

UK	£0.50
Europe (EC)	£0.90 (or 3 IRC's)
Europe (non-EC)	£1.05 (or 3 IRC's)
America, Canada, South Africa	£1.50 (Or 6 IRC's)
Australia, New Zealand, Japan	£1.50 (Or 6 IRC's)

Please note; again, if you have access to the Internet/e-mail, you may find that you will be alerted of a new issue via services such as the Unofficial Kraftwerk Mailing List that exists.

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METHODS OF PAYMENT

Payment should be made out to Ian Calder. Personal cheques from overseas are not acceptable, due to the high bank charges applied. Eurocheques, Giro Cheques, cash in a registered envelope, bankers draft/International Money Order payable in UK £ and drawn on a UK bank are the preferred methods of payment.

READERS IN GERMANY AND SPAIN

German and Spanish readers can obtain copies of Aktivität direct from local contacts in your own currency. Further details are available from;

Spain

José Garcia Corral,

Germany

Gunther Pöcker.

READERS IN THE UNITED STATES

It is hoped to make copies of the fanzine available from a local source once again. If other details do not accompany this sheet please write to;

Fred Becker,

MORE NEWS / NEXT ISSUE

It is hoped to introduce some Aktivität merchandise in the near future. Hopefully there will be some more details in a future Update sheet.

The next issue of the fanzine should appear in June or July of 1996. Amongst the articles planned are; results of the Aktivität readers survey (should be fun!) - a question and answer article with Pascal Bussy about his Kraftwerk biography, 'Man, Machine and Music' - '20 Years of Radio-Activity' - a look back at this album with one or two interesting new angles - plus plenty more besides.

I hope that these changes will ensure a more regular appearance for the fanzine and that you continue to find the fanzine an interesting and informative read, *Ian Calder, April 1996*

• Please see the enclosed form for ordering details.
